Pradesh in this regard is Rs. 400.00 lakhs. The Central Government also arranges loans through the General Insurance Corporation of India for development of State fire services, whenever such requests are received from the State Governments. According to available information, loans for the State Government of Andhra Priadesh were also arranged in the past.

Special Investigation Agency

4625. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intend to set up a Special Investigation Agency to look into the growing crimes in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Assassination of Shri Rajiv Gandhi

4626. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken steps to track down conspirators responsible for the assassination of Shri Rajiv Gandhi on the basis of Jain -Commission Report;

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken and the names of the conspirators; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in negative, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) The Final Report of the Jain Commission of Inquiry is under examination by the Government and the Report as well as Memorandum of Action Taken thereon will be placed in Parliament soon.

ISI Agents in States

4627. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the 'Pioneer', dated 23rd March, 1998, under the caption "ISI agents turn Indians to fool authorities";

(b) if so, what are the details of such agents operating in each State; and

(c) what action Government have taken to check their infiltration and operation in our territory?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

Following the civil strife in Afghanistan, a large number of Afghan nationals have been coming to India as refugees. In addition, a number of Pakhtoons have also been staying in India with an undefined status. As the situation in Afghanistan continues to be fluid, some of the Afghan nationals are reported to have fraudulently acquired Passports, Identity Cards etc. However, Government has no information regarding their working for Pak Intelligence Agencies. Similarly, the contention in the news article that there are over 10,000 Pak ISI agents operating in the North Eastern region of the India is highly exaggerated. Also there is no information regarding concentration of ISI agents in Tinsukia region of Assam.

(c) The Government has taken a number of steps to check illegal infiltration across our border. Border vigil and patrol have been intensified and fencing and flood lighting have been provided in sensitive areas like Punjab and Rajasthan. The State Governments are also sensitised from time to time and there is a coordinated effort among various security and intelligence agencies to check illegal infiltration in the country.